ELIGIBLE MORTGAGORS

#### § 206.33 Age of mortgagor.

The youngest mortgagor shall be 62 years of age or older at the time the mortgagee submits the application for insurance.

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### §206.35 Title held by mortgagor.

The mortgagor shall hold title to the entire property which is the security for the mortgage. If there are multiple mortgagors, all the mortgagors must collectively hold title to the entire property which is the security for the mortgage. If one or more mortgagors hold a life estate in the property, for purposes of this section only the term 'mortgagor'' shall include each holder of a future interest in the property (remainder or reversion) who has executed the mortgage.

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## §206.37 Credit standing.

Each mortgagor must have a general credit standing satisfactory to the Secretary.

#### § 206.39 Principal residence.

The property must be the principal residence of each mortgagor at closing. For purposes of this section, the property will be considered to be the principal residence of any mortgagor who is temporarily or permanently in a health care institution as long as the property is the principal residence of at least one other mortgagor who is not in a health care institution.

#### §206.40 Disclosure and verification of Social Security and Employer Identification Numbers.

The mortgagor must meet the requirements for the disclosure and verification of Social Security and Employer Identification Numbers, as provided by part 200, subpart U, of this chapter.

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# §206.41 Counseling.

(a) List provided. At the time of the initial contact with the prospective mortgagor, the mortgagee shall give

the mortgagor a list of the names and addresses of housing counseling agencies which have been approved by the Secretary as responsible and able to provide the information described in paragraph (b) of this section. The mortgagor must receive counseling.

(b) Information to be provided. (See

section 255(f) of NHA).

(c) Certificate. The counselor will provide the mortgagor with a certificate stating that the mortgagor has received counseling. The mortgagor shall provide the mortgagee with a copy of the certificate.

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### §206.43 [Reserved]

ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES

# § 206.45 Eligible properties.

(a) Title. A mortgage must be on real estate held in fee simple, or on a leasehold under a lease for not less than 99 years which is renewable, or under a lease having a remaining period of not less than 50 years beyond the date of the 100th birthday of the youngest mortgagor. The mortgagee shall obtain a mortgagee's title insurance policy satisfactory to the Secretary. If the Secretary determines that title insurance for reverse mortgages is not available for reasonable rates in a State, then the Secretary may specify other acceptable forms of title evidence in lieu of title insurance.

(b) Type of property. The property shall include a dwelling designed principally as a residence for one family or such additional families as the Secretary shall determine. A condominium unit designed for one-family occupancy shall also be an eligible property.

(c) Flood insurance and property location. The provisions of §203.16a of this chapter pertaining to flood insurance and §203.40 of this chapter pertaining to the location of the property are in-

corporated by reference.

(d) Lead-based paint poisoning prevention. If the appraiser of a dwelling constructed prior to 1978 finds defective paint surfaces, §200.810(d) of this chapter shall apply unless the mortgagor